

HUMAN SEXUALITY EDUCATION

Background

Alberta Education has mandated human sexuality education. However, the sensitivity of this subject suggests that special effort must be taken to assure that parents and staff are comfortable with the program.

Procedures

1. Human sexuality education shall be available to students from grades 4 to 9 under the Alberta Education Health program and through the Career and Life Management 20 course in high school.
2. Instruction is to be provided by a teacher who has adequate training as approved by the Principal or by a medical resource person under the supervision of a teacher.
3. Before a program is initiated, parents shall be given adequate opportunity to review learning resources and teaching concepts.
4. Students shall be excused from class attendance on written parental request and the teacher shall provide for an alternate meaningful instructional program.

Reference: Section 60, 61, School Act
Ministerial Directive 4.1.2 – Human Sexuality Education
Guide to Education ECS to Grade 12